

I. AMENDMENTS

In the Specification

On page 1, line 5, after "This application", please insert --is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/443,501, filed 19 Nov. 1999, which in turn--.

On page 114, line 2, change "number ____" to --number PTA-926--.

On page 114, line 13, change "number ____" to --number PTA-927--.

In the Claims

Cancel claims 1-14, 18, 20-23, and 26-28 in their entirety, without prejudice.

II. REMARKS

Amendments to the Specification

The subject application filed herewith is being filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), and claims priority back to the parent application, U.S. Application Serial No. 09/443,501, filed November 19, 1999. After entry of the amendments herein, the claims in the subject application will correspond to claims in the parent application, as more fully explained below. By the present amendment, the specification has been amended with respect to deposits of biological material under the Budapest Treaty. Copies of the "International Form" under the Budapest Treaty showing that deposit PTA-926 and deposit PTA-927 have been accepted by the ATCC in its capacity as an International Depository under the treaty have been filed in the parent application. Accordingly, this application is a divisional application of the parent application.

Amendments to the Claims

Applicants submit herewith for prosecution on the merits claims 15-17, 19, and 24-25, which correspond to the claims of Group III in the parent application, U.S. Application Serial No. 09/443,501, filed November 19, 1999. No new matter is introduced in this amendment.

III. SUMMARY

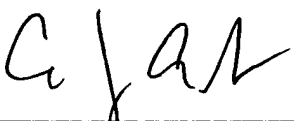
Applicants believe that the claims presented herein are in condition for allowance. If a telephone call would further prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (858) 720-5195.

In the event the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief, including extensions of time, and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or any other fees deemed due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket number 300622003111. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the deposit account.

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